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New Brockton Schools preparing for big enrollment increases for new year

by Linda Hodge, Editor

Just how many new students will the New Brockton schools have enrolled for the 2018-2019 school year remains a "good question" according to superintendent Kevin Killingsworth.

During a special board meeting Tuesday, July 31, the superintendent said as of that moment New Brockton High School had 425 students enrolled. He said the high school finished the 2017-2018 school year with 376 students.

That was 49 additional students enrolled for the

high school as of Tuesday, July 31st.

As for New Brockton Elementary School, Killingsworth said Tuesday afternoon that the enrollment numbers had leveled off of the past few days and there had even been some withdrawals. However, he said the number of elementary students enrolled for New Brockton Elementary School as of Tuesday was 534 students.

Killingsworth said there is no way to know for sure how many additional enrollees New Brockton would have on the first day [first week] of school, but

the school system did have a plan ready to help expedite those enrollments.

The majority of this increase in enrollment for the New Brockton schools stems from the Enterprise School System choosing to charge a tuition for out-of-district students attending that school system. That decision has sent the numbers for New Brockton up, as many of the people impacted by the Enterprise decision reside in the New Brockton school zone.

Killingsworth said the plan for assisting with

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Coffee County BOE members approve teacher hires during special meeting held Tuesday

by Linda Hodge, Editor

The Coffee County Board of Education met Tuesday, July 31, at noon for a special meeting.

The main agenda item for the meeting was personnel. The school system had several hires to make prior to the start of the new school year next week.

Superintendent Kevin Killingsworth had four teachers to recommend for hire of vacant positions within the school system. Board members voted unanimously to approve the superintendent's recommendations.

Teachers hired during Tuesday's meeting included Katie Ingram, an elementary teacher for Kinston School; Mahalea Gillo, an elementary teacher for Kinston School; Justin Powers, a math teacher for Kinston School; and Nina Williams, a teacher at New Brockton Elementary School.

Killingsworth also had three employments he rec-

ommended for classified personnel. These too were approved with no opposition.

The classified personnel hired during Tuesday's meeting were: Amanda Dobbs, an instructional aide for special education at Zion Chapel School; Michael Tracy Faulk, a bus driver for the New Brockton schools; and Raymond Phillips, a bus driver for the New Brockton schools.

Also during the board meeting, the financial statement and cash/bank reconciliements for June 2018 were reviewed, and board members approved minutes for the July 12th and July 24 meetings.

Board chairman Brian McLeod announced the regular meeting for Thursday, Aug. 2, had been cancelled; therefore, the next regular meeting for the board would be Thursday, Sept. 6, at 5:30 p.m. He noted this meeting date also would be the date of the first budget hearing for Fiscal Year 2019.

News Brief:

Investigators with the Coffee County Sheriff's Office, with assistance from the Dale County Sheriff's Office, made two arrests Monday, July 23, regarding a burglary and theft in the southern part of the county near the 600 Block.

Coffee County Chief Deputy R.W. Whitworth said Dana Dewayne Qualls, age 45, of Enterprise, Ala., and Tiffany Louise Bush, age 35, of Level Plains, Ala., were arrested on July 23rd and each charged with burglary - third degree and theft of property - second degree.

Several days later, a third suspect in this investigation was arrested.

Whitworth said Timmy Petty, age 50, of Chipley, Fla., was arrested Friday, July 27, and charged with burglary - third degree and theft of property - second degree.

Whitworth added, "This is an ongoing investigation and additional arrests are possible."

Elba Alumni Association begins preparations for annual meeting set for Friday, Sept. 21st

by Linda Hodge, Editor

The Elba High School Alumni Association again this school year is ready and willing to help the school system in ways identified as a need.

"Just as we have in past years, the association was able to provide scholarships at the end of the school year to two members of the Class of 2018," said association president Linda Hodge. "This is something we believe in wholeheartedly and want to be sure continues for years to come. It would be great if we could add even more scholarships in the future!"

This year's scholarship recipients were Karen Jimenez and Tanner Herrington. Jimenez is planning to continue her education at LBW Community College, while Herrington is planning to attend Enterprise State Community College.

Jimenez and Herrington each were presented a \$1,500 monetary scholarship to be applied to his/her student account at the college of choice.

Hodge said the only way the alumni association will continue to have the type of success it has had over the past two years is with the continued support of the alumni.

"If you have not already done so, we ask all Elba High alumni to consider renewing your membership for the Elba High School Alumni Association," she said. "We also encourage those who have not already joined to please consider doing so now."

The \$20 annual membership fee can be mailed to Pam Baker, P.O. Box 182, Elba, Alabama 36323. Current members just need to provide their name with the renewal check.

However, if a current member has had an address change, name change, email change, etc. over the past year, he/she is asked to also send the new information to the association to allow the secretary to update the record.

"We want to have the most up-to-date information on our alumni members," Hodge said. "This

allows us to keep in touch with our members and keep them informed of things happening with the schools and the association."

For new members, please fill out the form (shown with this article on Page 10) and return it with the \$20 membership fee to the address provided already.

The association also is preparing for its annual meeting set for Elba's Homecoming day Friday, September 21, 2018! This will be the fourth annual meeting for the Association.

It will be held at the Elba Country Club at approximately 12:30 p.m. A light lunch will be served; therefore, those planning to attend also should email Linda Hodge [hodge.family@hotmail.com] to help with planning for lunch.

The day's events on Sept. 21st will begin early that morning with the third annual Elba High School Alumni Association golf tournament at the Elba Country Club. It will be a four-person scramble golf tournament.

The cost to play is \$50 per person, and this includes 18 holes of golf, a

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The orange markings on County Road 415 show the path Alabama State Troopers believe the vehicle driven by Terry Spann traveled last Sunday morning prior to striking a tree next to the residence of 3290 County Road 415. After striking the tree, the small SUV bounced off it and turned around before coming to rest on the side headed in the opposite direction it was traveling at the time of the wreck. Spann was pronounced dead at the scene by Coffee County Coroner Robert Preachers.

Sunday morning wreck in Basin Community of Coffee County claims Virginia woman's life

The quiet Coffee County Road 415 in the Basin Community of Coffee County became the scene of a fatal car accident early Sunday morning, July 29th.

The wreck occurred at approximately 8:20 a.m. when a small SUV, driven by Teresa "Terry" Spann, age 59, of Chesapeake, Va., left the road and struck a tree. She was pronounced dead at the scene by Coffee County Coroner Robert Preachers.

Spann reportedly had been in the area for the past week visiting family and was headed back to her relatives' home when the accident happened. Local residents said she was less than two miles from her destination at the time of



This photo shows the missing bark from the tree that Spann's vehicle struck last Sunday morning.

the fatal wreck.

Also in the vehicle at the time of the wreck was a three-year-old child. The child was not injured.

The accident was investigated by Alabama State

Troopers.

Spann was a history teacher at Great Bridge Middle School in Chesapeake. Her obituary information can be found on Page 3 of today's paper.

Elba City Council moves forward with revitalization project

by Ferrin Cox, Publisher

The Monday evening, July 23, Elba City Council meeting opened with a report from new Police Chief Leslie Hussey.

The chief introduced two new officers. Al McGraw has joined the force and will be the official drug dog

handler. Returning to the department after some time elsewhere is Sylvia Summers.

Hussey also presented council members with an agenda being used to address issues within the police department. Tops on that list was a personnel shortage, including both

patrol officers and dispatchers.

Hussey explained the need for several trained officers immediately and several vacant spots to hire young energetic people who are willing to go to school and become certified officers.

Assistant City Clerk Pat Boothe reported 'weather permitting' crews would be patching potholes in city streets during the next few weeks. Se also reported on the cleaning and repairs at the courthouse fountain.

Boothe added that discussions on a dog park are ongoing and a decision (location) should be made before the end of the year. She also said new decals were being placed on city vehicles as they passed through the city shop for service or repairs.

The council approved the recommended low bid to construct the additional

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Area Happenings:

ELBA CITY SCHOOLS STUDENTS return to school for the start of the 2018-2019 school year on Monday, Aug. 6th. The first day for Pre-K students is Tuesday, Aug. 7th.

COFFEE COUNTY SCHOOLS STUDENTS return to school for the start of the 2018-2019 school year on Monday, Aug. 6th. This includes students at Zion Chapel, Kinston and New Brockton.

AA-NA MEETING, SPONSORED BY THE ELBA MINISTERIAL ASSOCIATION, is held each Tuesday at 7 p.m. at the Elba Church of Christ, located at 715 N. Troy Hwy., Elba. Get free coffee and support. For more information, call 334-494-3353 or 334-897-2057.

EDITORIAL

BRAINSTORMS

With Ferrin Cox

"Happiness can be found in the darkest of times, if one only remembers to turn on the light." – J.K. Rowling

Paul Manafort, Donald Trump's former campaign chairman, went on trial this week in New York State for tax evasion and bank fraud. Reports on this always bring in the Trump connection, but quickly add that "The Donald" is not implicated in this case. We understand however that this is a side effect of the Trump investigation, but does not target the president. He probably is antsy about this as he is with anything else that is reportedly close to him. But the experts who claim to know this case keep saying Trump is not a party to the proceedings. However it is serious enough that Manafort could get many, many years in prison if convicted on all counts.

Homemade 3-D plastic guns have been the talk in tech reports for some time, especially since gaining the computer plans for "printing" them from a home-owned 3-D printer became legal this week. The amazing thing is that now – the week they hit the market – Washington is beginning to pay lip service to "doing something". Folks, if someone wants plans to make a pistol or AK-47, they were sitting at their computer waiting for the instant the plans hit the internet. There could be thousands who have such plans and if they suddenly become illegal, the black market price for the plans will skyrocket, but will always be available.

It appears that gun control will be (is) a part of the ongoing Alabama Governor's race. We have not read the political chatter, just the headlines, but someone thinks it is a good vote getter – for someone. Expect it to heat up as election time nears and it will probably last through November's elections.

Facebook officials have announced that they have found evidence of attempts to use the Facebook platform to influence the next US elections. We wonder how they discovered this ploy and just how it could influence the masses of voters? This doesn't say much for the intellect of our citizens, but we often see other issues that are completely taken over by social media, so why not elections?

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) just released its annual report on air quality, tracking our nation's progress in improving air quality since the passage of the Clean Air Act. "Our Nation's Air: Status and Trends Through 2017" documents the considerable improvements in air quality across America over more than 45 years. The report claims a 73% reduction in air pollution – nationwide. This means that exposure to sulfur dioxide, lead, carbon monoxide, nitrogen dioxide, fine particulate matter, coarse particulate matter, and ground-level ozone have all dropped by 88% for sulfur dioxide be down down to 22% for ground-level ozone. Now we have all heard of or read government reports that play loose and fancy with the facts in an effort to look good but not really tell a lie. Frankly we think that is at play here because there are still too many reports of extreme air pollution floating around the country.

Have some sympathy for our oldest son, Chris. This diehard Auburn man is sending his daughter off to the University of Alabama in a week or so . . . and so far without a public crying fit! He has already been to T-Town a few times with her and aside from grumbling about the "money" side of the issue, is accepting things OK. Still – pray for him to survive!!

~ Meeting the Demands of Our Growing Workforce ~

Guest Editorial by U.S. Representative Martha Roby

Last month's jobs report showed that job openings are at a record high, confirming our country's continued positive economic progress.

For the first time since the year 2000, the number of job openings is larger than the number of people unemployed. Our country's gross domestic product also grew at a 4.1 percent pace in the second quarter of this year, marking the fastest rate of growth since 2014. This is great news for the American people, and our focus moving forward must be to continue this momentum.

As I have said many times before, over the last year and a half, our unified Republican government has worked very hard to deliver meaningful results on the economic front. I am proud of our efforts to foster economic growth and opportunity, and I believe it is critical that we provide a well-trained workforce to meet the demands. That's why I am glad to report that Congress has officially sent the Strengthening Career and Technical Education for the 21st Century Act, an important workforce development bill, to the President's desk for his signature.

This important piece of legislation reauthorizes the Perkins funding that supports career tech programs at the state and local levels. The bill also makes needed improvements to the system to ensure these crucial dollars are spent effectively and efficiently. In addition, this legislation updates the federal investment in career tech education to provide increased flexibility to states to ensure these CTE programs are high quality, engaging, and above all, successful.

As you know, our state is fortunate to have a very strong network of community colleges that offer a wide variety of career training. Alabama's Community

College System has more than 79,000 students enrolled in career tech programs, and more than 70 public high schools in our state offer CTE courses. They are working in lock-step with industries to ensure the educational training matches the jobs that will be waiting for these students when they complete their coursework.

Our district is home to quite a few excellent career tech programs, including those at

Trenholm State Community College in Montgomery, Wallace Community College in Dothan and their Sparks Campus in Eufaula, the Enterprise State Community College campuses in Enterprise and Ozark, Ingram State Technical College in Deatsville, Reid State Technical College in Evergreen, and the Lurleen B. Wallace Community

College campuses in Andalusia, Opp, and Greenville. To broaden this extensive network even more, many high schools enjoy partnerships with nearby community colleges to offer students courses closer to home.

"I stopped by Lurleen B. Wallace's MacArthur Campus in Opp for a tour, and I was truly blown away by the wide variety of courses available," U.S. Rep. Martha Roby said.

and I was truly blown away by the wide variety of courses available.

There's no question that in Alabama, our current CTE system is working well, but that shouldn't stop us from making every effort to improve it. The Strengthening Career and Technical Education Act for the 21st Century, which I hope will soon be signed into law, provides proper investment in quality career

tech programs – but this is about so much more than just funding. This important bill provides greater flexibility to states and program administrators on the ground so they are able to adjust to ever-changing needs. The bill also improves accountability to require CTE programs to deliver results.

Career tech programs are so important because they meet the demands of our steadily changing workforce by equipping students with the skills, knowledge, and experience they need to be competitive and fill these roles. Rest assured as your Representative in Congress, I will always support measures to improve and strengthen the CTE programs throughout our state and nation. And as always, I am hopeful that we will continue to see increased numbers of job openings and opportunities for all Alabamians and all Americans.

*** Martha Roby represents Alabama's Second Congressional District. She lives in Montgomery, Alabama, with her husband Riley and their two children.*

Elba Police Report

The Elba Police Department, beginning Monday, July 23, investigated the following incidents: one for harassment, two for theft of property, one for receiving stolen property, one for harassing communications, one wreck, one for violation of probation order, one menacing, and one unlawful possession of a controlled substance.

Arrests made during the week included: one for assault, and one for unlawful possession of a controlled substance.

Traffic citations issued were as follows: one for reckless endangerment and two for speeding.

MONDAY, JULY 23 – Elba Fire Department dispatched to 745 Claxton Ave where a tree fell on a power line (12:00 a.m.); Haynes Ambulance dispatched to 1561 Claxton Ave N (9:55 a.m.); Domestic disturbance reported in the road at the ball field on Hwy. 87 (8:41 p.m.).

CALL CRIMESTOPPERS @ 897-3881 TO REPORT A CRIME REMAIN ANONYMOUS

TUESDAY, JULY 24 – Elba Fire Department dispatched to a tree fire next to 1279 Ann St. (8:32 p.m.).

WEDNESDAY, JULY 25 – Elba Fire Department dispatched as mutual aide for the Zion Chapel Fire Department at 4946 County Road 342 [Thames Bridge] for a medical call (3:00 p.m.); Civil disturbance (verbal) reported at 979 Johnson St. (12:06 p.m.).

THURSDAY, JULY 26 – Routine activity.

FRIDAY, JULY 27 – Haynes Ambulance dispatched to 609 Pinedale Dr. (12:47 p.m.); 2-vehicle wreck reported at the intersection of Claxton Ave and W Davis St. by the Methodist Church (1:18 p.m.); Possible breaking and entering reported at 219 Trammell St. (6:21 p.m.); Possible prowler reported on Sawyer St. (9:04 p.m.).

SATURDAY, JULY 28 – Haynes Ambulance dispatched to 4980 County Rd. 107 (7:20 a.m.); Civil disturbance (verbal) reported at 1297 Ann St. (8:14 p.m.).

SUNDAY, JULY 29 – Haynes Ambulance dispatched to a wreck at 3290 County Rd. 415 (8:24 a.m.); Elba Fire Department dispatched to the wreck at 3290 County Rd. 415 (8:26 p.m.); Civil disturbance (verbal) reported on County Rd. 400 (1:30 p.m.); Haynes Ambulance dispatched to 3368 County Rd. 105 (8:50 p.m.).

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From left: Kevin Daniels, General Motors Regional Representative; Scott McIntosh; Larry Weeks, Cook Chevrolet Service Director.

Cook Chevrolet Inc. would like to congratulate Scott McIntosh for being awarded the **2017 Mark of Excellent Award** from General Motors. This award designates Scott as being one of the top 20 service technicians in our region. Scott has been working with **Cook Chevrolet Inc.** since October of 1990 and earned this distinction based on "Fix it right the first time", tenure, product knowledge, training and test scores.

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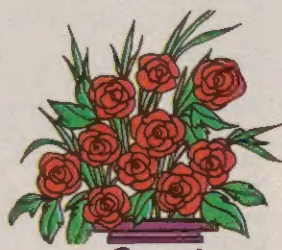
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Sneak peak of events coming up at Landmark Park

W E E K D A Y S
THROUGH AUGUST •
FARM ANIMAL FEED-
ING at 4:15 p.m. Meet at
 the Wiregrass Farmstead.
 Meet the heritage breeds of
 animals that live on the
 Wiregrass Farmstead. Kids
 can help feed and look for
 eggs in the henhouse. Free
 with paid gate admission.

THROUGH LABOR
DAY • BLUE STAR
MUSEUM PARTICIPA-
TION Active military and
 up to five family members
 can receive free admission
 to Landmark Park. Must
 present a Geneva
 Convention common
 access card (CAC), a DD
 Form 1173 ID card (depend-
 ent ID) or a DD Form
 1173-1 ID card.

THROUGH DECEM-
BER • JOHNNY MACK
BROWN EXHIBIT
 Interpretive Center Lobby.
 View costumes, publica-
 tions, photos and other
 memorabilia from
 Hometown Hollywood
 Hero Johnny Mack Brown.
 Free with paid gate admis-
 sion.

ONGOING • PHO-
TOGRAPHY EXHIBIT
 Landmark Park members
 and volunteers Larry and
 Patti Puckett will present a
 special photography exhibit
 in the Interpretive Center
 Auditorium. Photos were
 taken at Landmark Park
 and across the state of
 Alabama. Free with paid
 gate admission.

ONGOING • REGIS-
TRATION FOR 2018-19
S C H O O L
YEAR Classroom and
 Homeschool teachers are
 invited to
 visit www.landmarkparkdothan.com
 to download the
 Teacher Guide and register
 for field trips during the
 2018-19 school year.
 Programs meet state stan-
 dards for education.

AUGUST 4; SEPTEM-
BER 1; OCTOBER 6 •
WIREGRASS WOOD-
TURNER MEETING at
 9:30 a.m. Open to the pub-
 lic, free with paid gate
 admission and free for
 Wiregrass Woodturner
 members. Woodturning
 demonstrations will take
 place. Ag Building.

AUGUST 4; SEPTEM-
BER 1; OCTOBER 6 •
LANDMARK DUL-
CIMER CLUB at 1 p.m.
 Jam session and lesson. No
 experience or music read-
 ing ability necessary. Must
 have a mountain dulcimer.
 Free with paid gate admis-
 sion.

AUGUST 5; SEPTEM-
BER 2; OCTOBER 7 •
REPTILE FEEDING at
 4 p.m. Meet our snakes and
 turtles and learn why these
 animals are so important to
 the environment. Free with
 paid gate admis-
 sion. Interpretive Center
 Classroom.

AUGUST 11; OCTO-
BER 13 • BLACK-
SMITHING DEMO from
 10 a.m.-2 p.m. (with a
 break for lunch).
 Interactive blacksmithing
 demonstration, taking place
 at the Blacksmith Shop on
 the Wiregrass Farmstead.
 Free with paid gate admis-
 sion.

SEPTEMBER 1, 8, 15,
22, 29, OCTOBER 6 •
JOHNNY MACK
BROWN BIRTHDAY
CELEBRATION at 10
 a.m., 10:30 a.m. Landmark
 Park will celebrate Dothan
 native and Western film
 star Johnny Mack Brown's
 114th birthday during the
 month of September with a
 double feature from the
 serial "Fighting Kit
 Carson." Great for all ages!
 Each movie lasts about 30
 minutes. Interpretive
 Center Auditorium. Free
 with paid gate admission.

SEPTEMBER 1: 10
 a.m. "The Mystery
 Riders", 10:30 a.m. "The
 White Chief"

SEPTEMBER 8: 10
 a.m. "Hidden Gold", 10:30
 a.m. "The Silent Doom"

SEPTEMBER 15: 10
 a.m. "Murder Will Out,
 10:30 a.m. "The Secret of
 Iron Mountain"

SEPTEMBER 22: 10
 a.m. "The Law of the
 Lawless", 10:30 a.m. "Red
 Phantoms"

SEPTEMBER 29: 10
 a.m. "The Invisible
 Enemy", 10:30 a.m.

"Midnight Magic"

OCTOBER 6: 10 a.m.

"Unmasked!", 10:30 a.m.

"The Trail to Glory"

SEPTEMBER 15 •

Paperwork deadline to
 enter a quilt in the land-
 mark Park Quilt Show
 (show held Oct. 19-21)
 This year's theme is Log
 Cabin Fever. The 10th
 anniversary show is an offi-
 cial AL200 Event and will
 include classes with inter-
 national teacher Flavin
 Glover. Visit
www.landmarkparkdothan.com
 for entry forms and
 more information.

SEPTEMBER 20 •

LOW COUNTRY BOIL
AND AUCTION at 6 p.m.
 Stokes Activity Barn.
 Enjoy a dish of shrimp,
 sausage, corn and potatoes
 simmered in special spices
 and served out of wheelbar-
 rows. Music by Brian Hart.
 Hot dogs and wagon rides
 available for the kids.
 Silent auction. Tickets are
 \$50 per person and include
 all you can eat, plus beer
 and wine. Kid tickets are \$5
 each for ages 3-12. Table of
 eight is \$500 for choice of
 seating inside the barn or
 outside under the tent near
 the music. Order tickets by
 September 13 by calling
 334-794-3452

OCTOBER 6 • CAR

SHOW from 10 a.m. - 2
 p.m. Enjoy the cooler
 weather while viewing the
 large display of antique
 cars, ranging in age from
 "T" Models to sporty cus-
 tom classics. The annual
 drawing for \$500 will be
 held at the Car Show.
 Tickets are available for \$2
 each on the day of the show
 in the Gift Shop, Martin
 Drugstore and Shelley
 General Store. This year's
 featured vehicle is the
 TRUCK. \$10 to enter a car
 in the show, which also
 covers admission to view
 the cars. Admission to the
 event to view the cars is \$5
 for adults, \$3 for kids and
 free for park members and
 children 2 and under. The
 first 100 cars to enter the
 show for display will
 receive a dash plaque and a
 goodie bag. Cars are judged
 on cleanliness, engine,
 paint, interior and body. If
 you would like to be added
 to our Car Show mailing
 list, email laurav@landmarkparkdothan.com.

OCTOBER 19 • CANE
GRINDING DAY This
 program is for preregis-
 tered school and home-
 school groups only 9 a.m.-1
 p.m. Step back in time and
 experience farm life in the
 early 1900s. Along with
 many hands on activities,
 your class will follow the
 complete process of syrup
 making. Beginning with
 stripping and chopping the
 sugar cane, your students
 will learn how the cane was
 ground down into juice and
 then the juice cooked into
 syrup. Students will have
 the chance to taste the fruits
 of their labors with biscuits
 and syrup from our
 Waddell House kitchen.
 Several other demon-
 strations will also be on the
 farm, including black-
 smithing, quilting, butter
 churning, chair caning and
 many more. Recommended
 for grades PreK-8th.
 Visit www.landmarkparkdothan.com

than.com to register a
 class.

OCTOBER 19, 20, 21 •

LANDMARK PARK
QUILT SHOW Friday and
 Sunday, 1 p.m.- 4 p.m.
 Saturday, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.
 Held in conjunction with
 the park's Fall Farm Day
 (Oct. 20), the quilt show
 will feature over 100
 antique and contemporary
 quilts displayed inside the
 Stokes Activity Barn.
 Juried show, guest speakers
 and more. Featuring author
 and quilter Flavin Glover.
 Theme: Log Cabin Fever.
 The Quilt Show is an offi-
 cial AL200 Event, celebrat-
 ing Alabama's
 Bicentennial. Visit
www.landmarkparkdothan.com
 for entry forms and
 more info about the show.

OCTOBER 20 • FALL
FARM DAY from 10 a.m.-
 4 p.m. \$8 for adults, \$6 for
 seniors and active military,
 \$4 for kids, free for park
 members and children 2
 and under. Watch how
 peanuts were harvested 100
 years ago, plus cane grind-
 ing, syrup making, butter
 churning, quilt show, music
 and other traditional fall
 farm activities. Tractor pull
 and parade will also take
 place. Fall Farm Day is an
 official AL200 Event, cele-
 brating Alabama's
 Bicentennial.

OCTOBER 24, 25, 26,
30, 31 • HARVEST HEY-
DAYS This program is for
 preregistered school and
 homeschool groups only 9
 a.m.-1 p.m. Class will
 enjoy an educational pro-
 gram full of fall harvest
 fun! This event centers on a
 trip to the pumpkin patch
 where each child will take
 home their very own pump-
 kin. Many other activities
 such as corn pulling and
 shucking, cotton picking,
 peanut stacking, hayrides
 and Kernels of Fun—a
 huge box filled with corn
 kernels (some activities are
 based on crop availabili-
 ty). Recommended for
 grades PreK-5th. Visit
www.landmarkparkdothan.com
 to register your class.

*Landmark Park is a
 135-acre natural science
 and history muse-
 um located on the out-
 skirts of Dothan. Regular
 park hours are Monday-
 Saturday from 9 a.m.-5
 p.m. and on Sundays from
 noon to 6 p.m. Features of
 the park include nature
 trails, a planetarium,
 playground, picnic areas,
 an elevated boardwalk, a
 turn-of-the-century farm-
 stead with sheep, chick-
 ens, cows and other farm
 animals and crops typical
 of an 1890s farm. Several
 areas of the park are
 available for rent for a
 special occasion. The park
 is located on U.S. Hwy
 431 North, three miles
 north of Dothan's Ross
 Clark Circle. For more
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Obituaries

Death notices updated regularly at www.elba-clipper.com

CHRISTOPHER MARVIN MITCHELL

Mr. Christopher Marvin
 "Duke" Mitchell, age 51,
 of Troy, Ala.,
 died Tuesday,
 July 24,
 2018, at his
 home.

Funeral
 services were
 held July 27,
 2018 from the Chapel of
 Hayes Funeral Home in
 Elba, Ala., with Rev.
 Gregory Sanders officiat-
 ing. Burial services fol-
 lowed in the Calvary
 Baptist Church Cemetery.

Survivors include his
 wife: Patricia Mitchell,
 Troy; sons: Roger Mitchell
 and Scott Mitchell, both of
 Troy, Stevens (Sacha)
 Mitchell and Robby
 (Victoria) Mitchell, both of
 Goshen, Ala.; stepson:
 Andren (Shawnee)
 Bullock, Eufaula, Ala.;
 stepdaughter: Kimberly
 (Daniel) Smith, Glenwood,
 Ala.; brother: Chucky
 (Rachel) Mitchell, Troy;
 sisters: Shelia (Douglas)
 DeVoe, New Brockton,
 Ala., Nancy (Mel) Gibson,
 Daleville, Ala.; and 12
 grandchildren.

LILLIE MAE WARD

Mrs. Lillie Mae Ward,
 age 95, of Enterprise, Ala.,
 died recently at her resi-
 dence.

Funeral services were
 held July 28, 2018
 at Pleasant Shade
 Missionary Baptist Church
 under the direction of
 Coleman Funeral Home.

Mrs. Ward was born in
 Elba, Alabama to the late
 Jake Anderson and Ethel
 Mae Stinson Anderson.

She received her B.S.
 degree in elementary edu-
 cation from Alabama State
 University and her Master
 of Education degree from
 Wayne State University in
 Detroit, Mich. She also
 received a certificate in
 math from the University
 of Detroit. She was a public
 school teacher in New
 Brockton, Enterprise and in
 Detroit.

The local NAACP
 Chapter 5017 honored her
 with an "Image Award."
 She was a member of
 Alpha Kappa Alpha
 Sorority Inc., and a mem-
 ber of the Semper Fidelis
 Club, of which she was a
 founder and served in the
 past as president, secretary,
 and chaplain.

Lillie was preceded in
 death by her parents; her
 brothers, Stinson Jake
 Anderson and Algine Wolfe
 Anderson; two of her three
 sisters, Jimmie Helen
 McMillan and Carrie
 Ramona Hardwick.

Survivors include her
 daughter: Dolores
 Simmons; her grandchil-
 dren: Tommie Lee
 Simmons Jr., Tyran
 Stephanie Simmons, and

Keith McIntyre (Aretha)
 Simmons; her great-
 grandchildren: Tashana L.
 Simmons, Tevin Lee
 Simmons, Bryan Keith
 Simmons, and Emily
 Lewis; her sister: Nellye
 Jean Anderson; nieces:
 Jewel (Nathaniel) Hatcher,
 Denise (Charles) Dotson,
 and Teeza Anderson;
 nephews: Jerry (Nell)
 McMillan, Ronnie
 (Bennie) McMillan, Edwin
 Anderson (Jessica)
 Hardwick, Roy Anderson,
 Horace Anderson, and
 Drexyl Anderson; and spe-
 cial great-nieces and spe-
 cial great-nephews; a
 devoted cousin: Perry
 (Ruby) Stinson of Elba;
 and several friends and
 other relatives.

LOUISE WAMBLES HUDSON

Mrs. Louise Wambles
 Hudson, age 93, a resident
 of the Elba Nursing and
 Rehabilitation Center in
 Elba, Ala.,
 died Sunday,
 July 29, 2018.

Her family
 will receive
 friends at
 Hayes Funeral Home on
 Thursday evening, August
 2, 2018, from 6-8 p.m. In
 lieu of flowers, those wish-
 ing to make memorials can
 do so to a charity of choice.

She was preceded in

death by her husband,
 George Wilson Hudson,
 along with her parents,
 Ethel and Webb Wambles.
 Survivors include two
 sons: Jerry W. Hudson,
 Elba, and Donald W.
 Hudson, of the Damascus
 community; six grandchil-
 dren, nine great-grand-
 children, and two great
 great-grandchildren.

WILMER BELL

Mr. Wilmer Bell, age 74,
 a resident of Elba, Ala.,
 died Sunday,
 July 29,
 2018, at his
 home.

Funeral
 services were
 held
 Wednesday,
 Aug. 1, at 2 p.m., from the
 Chapel of Hayes Funeral
 Home in Elba with Min.
 Philip Box officiating.
 Burial followed in New
 Home Cemetery in the
 Basin Community with
 Hayes Funeral Home
 directing. Visitation was at

Hayes Funeral Home on
 Wednesday from 12:30 - 2
 p.m.

Survivors include his
 wife: Genine Crawley Bell,
 Elba; sons: Steven Bell,
 Orlando, Fla., Tommy Bell,
 Elba, Shawn Bell,
 Altamonte Springs, Fla.,
 Eddie Hudson, Elba,
 Tommy Crawley, Elba,
 Ronnie Crawley, Florida,
 Ala., Jimmy Crawley and
 Bobby Crawley, both of
 Elba; daughters: Diana
 Bell, Elba, Kathy Gooch,
 Altamonte Springs, Norma
 Sanders and Judy Crawley,
 both of Elba; brothers:
 Andrew Bell, Ocoee, Fla.,
 Johnny W. Bell, Orlando;
 sisters: Margie Long,
 Groveland, Fla., and Rosa
 Johnson, Ocoee.

ODESSA OSBORNE

Ms. Odessa Osborne, age
 94, of Elba, Ala., died
 Wednesday, July 25, 2018
 at the Elba Nursing and
 Rehabilitation Center in
 Elba, Ala.

In accordance with her
 and her family's wishes, no
 formal services will be
 held.

TERESA "TERRY" SPANN

Mrs. Teresa "Terry"
 Spann, age 59, of
 Chesapeake, Va., died
 Sunday, July 29, 2018, due
 to injuries sustained in an
 automobile accident in the
 Basin Community.

No local services were
 held. Hayes Funeral Home
 of Elba, Alabama is serving
 the Spann family.

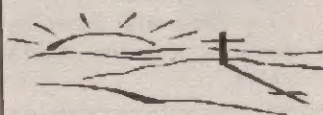
Survivors include her
 husband: Danny Gordon
 Spann, Chesapeake; sons:
 Christopher Spann and
 Jonathan Spann, both of
 Chesapeake; daughters:
 Tracy Dawn Heath, Bell
 Buckle, Tenn., Faith Marie
 Spann, Chesapeake; her
 mother: Alice Holloman,
 Chesapeake; a brother:
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 N.C.; and three grandchil-
 dren.

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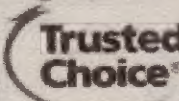
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LIFESTYLES



Elba Masonic Lodge 2019 Officers

Officers installed for Elba Masonic Lodge

During a ceremony held Saturday, July 14, at the Elba Masonic Lodge, officers for the year were installed.

The officers include: Edward Kelley Jr., Worshipful Master; Wendell Black, Senior Warden; Keith Chandler, Junior Warden; Daniel Stephens, Treasurer; Harry Young, Secretary; Michael Lawler, Chaplain;

James Bunce, Marshall; Christopher Kelley, Historian; Drexell Richards, Senior Deacon; Ronald Culver, Junior Deacon; Larry Smith, Senior Steward; Joseph Smith, Junior Steward; and Bert Buril, Tiler.

Prior to the installation service, everyone in attendance enjoyed refreshments.

Coffee County School System to hold Kindergarten JUMPSTART Thursday, Aug. 2nd, at schools

Coffee County Schools (Kinston, New Brockton and Zion Chapel) will hold their JUMPSTART program Thursday, Aug. 2, from 8-11 a.m.

JUMPSTART is a one day program that allows incoming pre k and kindergarten students an orientation opportunity before the beginning of school. The day is three hours in length during which time the students are exposed to a mini kindergarten schedule, allowed to tour the building, and introduced to their teacher as well as several other staff members.

Students and parents are to report to the school with

their beginning school supplies. The students will then go with their teacher to the classroom. The parents will remain in the library for an orientation meeting with the principal. When this meeting is completed the parents will go to their child's room for a meeting with the teacher.

During the parent/teacher meeting the teacher will explain his/her discipline plan, class schedule, rules, drop off/pick up procedure for students, answer questions, and collect lunch/snack money for the first week of school.

Parents will need to provide transportation.

Coffee County Schools to hold Title I meetings

Kinston, New Brockton, and Zion Chapel Schools invite all parents to attend their annual school-wide Title I meeting Thursday, Aug. 2.

Parents will gather in a general assembly to participate in a Title I presentation. The Title I program for parents is designed to:

- 1) inform parents about Title I regulations,
- 2) involve parents in local Title I decisions,
- 3) information on raising student achievement and
- 4) encourage active participation in their children's school and education.

School officials encourage

all parents to join them for this informative meeting.

Meeting times on Aug. 2nd are as follows:

Kinston – 5:15 p.m. and 6:45 p.m.

New Brockton Elementary School – 5:30 p.m.

New Brockton High School – 4:45 p.m. and 6:30 p.m.

Zion Chapel – 4 p.m. for elementary parents and 5:30 p.m. for high school parents and those unable to attend the earlier session

For those who have any questions, call the child's school.

NEW HOPE SENIOR CITIZENS CENTER “VOLUNTEER OF THE MONTH”

Mr. Edward Roy Byrd is 79-years-young! He was selected the “Volunteer of the Month” for July at the New Hope Senior Center.

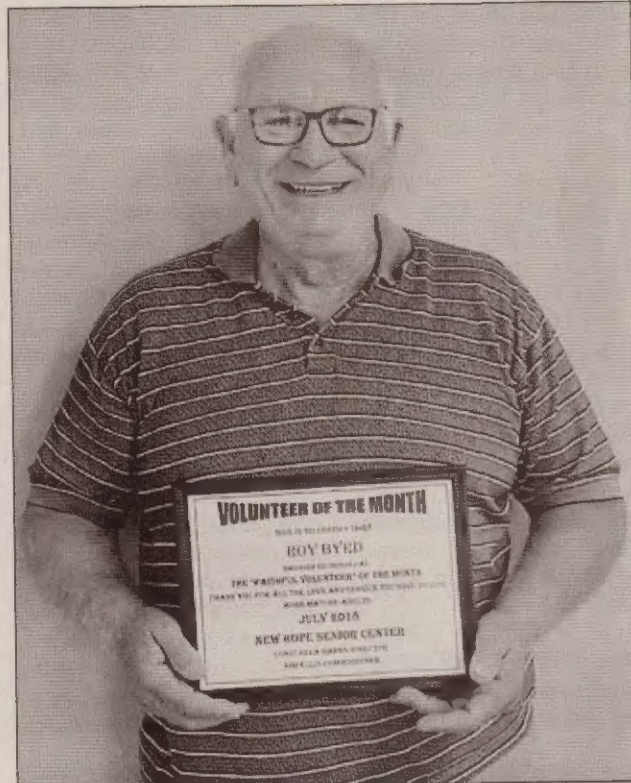
Mr. Roy has been married to Judy for 54 years. They are the proud parents of two sons and one granddaughter. He is a member of New Hope Baptist Church.

Mr. Roy enjoys hunting for wild hogs and fishing. He retired from Army Aviation in Fort Rucker after 43 years.

The one thing he wanted to share is, “I witnessed the wall in Berlin being negotiated and saw it come down in my lifetime!”

Mr. Roy has been a member of New Hope Senior Center for 14 years.

The New Hope Senior Center salutes Mr. Roy Byrd on being selected the “Volunteer of the Month” for July 2018.



Mr. Edward Roy Byrd

Damascus Reunion set for Saturday, Aug. 11th

The Damascus Reunion will be held Saturday, Aug. 11, at the Damascus Senior Center.

Bring a covered dish or dishes. Chicken will be provided. Lunch will be served at 12 noon.

Help spread the word.

Local DAV Wiregrass Chapter 99 meeting planned for Aug. 23rd

The August meeting for the DAV Wiregrass Chapter 99, located in New Brockton, will be held Thursday, Aug. 23, at 6 p.m.

The meeting will take place at McLin's Restaurant, Daleville, Ala. The group will be installing new officers for the upcoming 2018 – 2019 year.

RSVP Chuck Lobell by Aug. 19th if planning to attend. Arrive by 6 p.m. to insure prompt service to all that attend.

For further information contact Charles Lobdell at 334-718-5707.



BASIN BAPTIST YOUTH CARWASH A SUCCESS! The Youth Department from Basin Baptist Church held a car wash Saturday morning, July 28, at the OK Tire Store in Elba. The purpose of this event was to allow the youth to raise money to help with expenses for their trip to the Winter Xtreme Youth Conference planned for December in Gatlinburg, Tenn. The car wash also provided a firsthand lesson on service to the youth. The car wash was a huge success with \$653 being raised. The youth were very grateful for all the support they received for this event, and are looking forward to additional service-driven fundraisers in the coming months. Basin Baptist youth pictured above include Preston Farris, Kiera Ludlum, Drew Mack, Tyler Henderson, Trae Hilburn, and Justin Ludlum. Also pictured (far left) helping out with the water hose is Preston's little brother, Lucas Farris.

Troy University adds Department of Geospatial Informatics to College of Arts and Sciences

A new academic department within the College of Arts and Sciences will give TROY students a path to high-tech, in-demand jobs.

The Department of Geospatial Informatics began in May as the new home of the geomatics program, the geographic information systems (GIS) minor and the unmanned aerial systems (UAS) minor.

The new department includes geomatics faculty members, who had been in the Department of Mathematics and Geomatics, and geography faculty from the Department of Social Sciences.

Geomatics involves the collection, analysis and interpretation of data relating to the earth's surface. GIS involves the frame-

work for gathering, managing and analyzing geographic data. And the UAS minor delves into drone technology and the information collected by it.

Located on the third floor of Wallace Hall, the Department of Geospatial Informatics began as a way to accommodate the significant crossover between geomatics, GIS, geography and drone technology.

“In surveying and geomatics, we use drones a lot — to collect data, to generate maps in a fast and efficient way,” said Department Chair Xutong Niu. “This department can help us unite all the expertise. We can better utilize our personnel and expand our efforts into a broader area now.”

The department's goal is to prepare students to fill the growing need for jobs in the field.

“The initial intent for people who joined the geomatics program was to

become licensed surveyors, but the GIS is also giving them this additional incentive to be employable in different areas,” said Geomatics Program Director Dr. Steve Ramroop.

Niu said he's communicated with engineering companies, law enforcement agencies and energy companies who are interested in hiring students trained in geospatial informatics.

“There's a big demand for them,” Ramroop said. “Another thing with geospatial informatics is it is technology driven. We are using the best of the best hardware and software, which is one reason why all of our students are employable. You name the field, and there are jobs out there for our students.”

One of the department's long-term goals is developing a GIS major.

In the meantime, they'll continue promoting the GIS, geography and UAS minors.

“It's a growing need that more and more are recognizing,” Niu said.

“Recently I talked to a representative from the Alabama Department of Public Health, and he told me they need more GIS data. People use GIS every day, whether they realize it or not.”

It's a need that is expanding worldwide, from cell phones to map services to governmental agencies.

“We want companies to know that our students are here, they are ready and they are employable,” Ramroop said. “And also, we want our students to know that companies are ready to hire them.”

Stay connected in downtown Elba

Residents, visitors and students alike can now stay online while enjoying the outdoors in Elba's Main Street Community Space. The initial Wi-Fi deployment is on the Clements Corner of Court Square, a premier gathering place and venue for resting, visiting, studying, and events.

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Dale Davis makes an observation from Joshua 3:10-13. It underscores the assurance of Yahweh's power. Read Joshua 3:10.

The logic is if God can tame a raging river, He can prevent attack in Amorites. If He can stop the Jordan, then He can put down the Gergashites. If He can get you into the land, He can give it to you.

It was this reasoning of faith Israel failed to use on Exodus 16; they should have realized that the God who delivered them from Egypt (Exodus 14-15) would not let go of them in the wilderness. The rescue at the Red Sea, the crossing of the Jordan, and the death and resurrection of Christ are explosions of God's power that are meant to colour the whole horizon of a believer's life in order to assure us that the God who so mightily handles great emergencies is surely adequate for the smaller crises and anxieties that beset us.

"You will know that the living God is among you."

The object of this text is to impress us with the adequacy of God, to grill into us that God is not merely a three-letter word of our Christian jargon, not merely the honorary leader of our club, but is the living God who works and intervenes and comes and saves and rescues and counsels His people in all their perplexities. He indeed is "the Lord of all the earth."

So we must renounce our tendency to purify God, to carve him down to our stature and limit Him to our possibilities.

Homecoming planned at Woodland Grove

Woodland Grove Baptist Church is hosting Homecoming on Sunday, August 12th. At 10:30 a.m. The Old Southern Gospel group will be spreading the Word of God through song. Following the singing Brother Buddy Hood will deliver the morning message. Lunch will follow in the Life Center. All are invited.

AA~NA MEETING

sponsored by the Elba Ministerial Association is held each Tuesday at 7 p.m. at the Elba Church of Christ, located at 715 N. Troy Hwy., Elba. Get free coffee and support. For more information, call 334-494-3353 or 334-897-2057.

Hymnal Congregational Singing set for Aug. 4th at Country Cathedral Church

There will be Hymnal Congregational Singing on Saturday, Aug. 4, at Country Cathedral Church.

Singing begins at 6 p.m. and lasts until 8 p.m. Those attending are encouraged to bring their church hymnal.

The church is located on U.S. Hwy 84 East, Opp, Ala., between Elba and Opp. For more information call 334-493-7413.

Pianists for this event

Homecoming service set for Sunday, Aug. 5th, at Shiloh Baptist Church

Shiloh Baptist Church will have its Homecoming service this Sunday, Aug. 5, beginning at 11 a.m.

Flint and Christine Harrelson will be singing

Homecoming service planned for Aug. 12th at Basin Baptist Church

Basin Baptist Church, located at 9757 Highway 189, Elba, will have its annual Homecoming service on Sunday, Aug. 12th.

This will be the 85th anniversary celebration for the church as well.

The music program will begin at approximately

Men and Women Day Celebration set for Aug. 12th at Greater Bethel AMEC

Men and Women Day Celebration - Men in Black & Women in White - will be Sunday, Aug. 12, at 2:30 p.m. at Greater Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church.

The church is located at

are: Ken Helms, Byrdel Kersey, Daren Kersey, LaFern Griggs, Frieda Dyess

Song Leaders for this event are: Luther Jackson, John Barrow, Michael Bush, Glen Farri,s Frieda Dyess and the

Musicians are: Gene Griggs, Michael Bush, Kerry Dyess.

There will also be a Community Choir.

and former pastor Larry Wise will be preaching. A covered dish lunch will follow the service.

All are invited to attend this special service.

9:45 a.m. with the morning worship service set for 11 a.m. A covered dish lunch will be held in the fellowship hall immediately following morning worship.

Former pastor Rev. Sam Totten will be the guest speaker.

All are invited to attend.

Men and Women Day Celebration set for Aug. 12th at Greater Bethel AMEC

33 Harper Drive, Elba. Special guest will be Presiding Elder Samuel Smith, North East AL Annual Conference of the AMEC Phenix City District.

Everyone invited.

Rocky Head Missionary Baptist Church plans Homecoming and Revival services

Rocky Head Missionary Baptist Church, 3871 Hwy. 125 N, Elba, will have its annual Homecoming service on Sunday, Aug. 12, at 10 a.m.

Revival Services begin

Sunday evening, Aug. 12, at 6 p.m. and continue Aug. 13-16 at 7 p.m. each night with guest Pastor Brian Brunson.

Everyone invited to attend.

Southeast District YWA Red Circle planning grand reunion for Saturday

The Southeast District YWA Red Circle is sponsoring a grand reunion Saturday, Aug. 4, at 2 p.m. at Saint Beulah Missionary Baptist Church in

Enterprise, Ala.

The church is located at 120 South Carroll Street.

Past, present and future young women are welcomed home.

Round and About

With Eria's Daughter

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Scripture: Do Not Rob God [Malachi 3: 8-12]

Thinking of You! Praying for You.

Betty Moore, Kathy Johnson Harris, Myron K. Duncan, Dea. J.L. Williams, Ernest P. Belcher, Maria Kelley Duncan, Alan J. Belcher

July Birthdays / Anniversaries

Makayla D. Smedley 7/6
Shirah Blue Russ 7/6
Tammy Rodgers 7/7 (in memory)
Min. Joyce Belcher Johnson 7/7
Tevin Kelley 7/7
Evelyn Belcher Manning 7/8
Judy Bullard 7/8
Rev. Stanley Woodfolk 7/8
Elanor Green 7/8
Jimmy Bullard 7/8
Malik S. Kelley 7/9
Henry Rowe 7/9
Grover Purvis 7/10 (in memory)

in the desert. Instead of granting the slaves a holiday, he increased their workload. But the Lord had ways to discipline a disobedient King and his cruel slave drivers; the ten plagues broke their stubborn wills. When the final plague brought death to the first born in every Egyptian family, King and people not only agreed to let God's people go, but begged them to go quickly and take whatever items of value they wanted. [Read Exodus 5-12 - this is all recorded].

Question and Answer Session

Q/A for week of 7-26-18

Q: What did the Priest carry as they entered the Jordan River? (rocks), (ark of the covenant), (swords)

A: The Priest carried the Ark of the Covenant as they entered the Jordan River. [Read Joshua 3: 14]

Thought to Remember

God never said the right thing would be easy

Question for Week of 8-2-18

Multiple Choice

Q: How old was Moses when he died? (120 years), (130 years) or (100 years)
Q: How long did Israel weep for Moses after his death? (Thirty days), (One Year), or (Fifty Days)

Today is a good day! Be grateful.
Eria's Daughter, Sue

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Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Even. Worship... 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Service 7:00 p.m.

BASIN BAPTIST CHURCH

Sam Self, Pastor
Sunday School... 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Even. Worship... 5:30 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Service 6:30 p.m.

BETHEL AFRICAN METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Rev. Deborah A. Butler, Pastor
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Wed. Bible Study... 6:00 p.m.

BETHLEHEM BAPTIST CHURCH

Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:30 a.m.
Wed. Bible Class... 6:30 p.m.

BETHANY BAPTIST CHURCH

Pastor
Sunday School... 9:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 10:00 a.m.
Disciple Train... 5:30 p.m.
Even. Worship... 6:30 p.m.

BLUFF SPRINGS BAPTIST CHURCH

Tom Senn, Pastor
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
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Wed. Prayer Service 6:30 p.m.

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Larry Mills-Pastor
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
Sunday Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Wed. Night... 7:00 p.m.

COVENANT COMMUNITY CHURCH

Diana White, Pastor
Bible Study... 9:00 a.m.
Fellowship... 9:45 a.m.
Worship... 10:00 a.m.
Wed. Night (Youth Real Deal and Children's Activities)... 6:00 p.m.

DAMASCUS BAPT. CHURCH

Steve Watson, Pastor
Sunday School... 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Even. Worship... 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Service 7:00 p.m.

DORCAS BAPTIST CHURCH

Dale Morgan-Pastor
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Discipleship Training 5:00 p.m.
Even. Worship... 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meeting, Wed. 7:00 p.m.

EATON BAPTIST CHURCH

Mark Ward, Pastor
Sunday School... 10:30 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Wed. Bible Study... 6:15 p.m.

ELBA CHURCH OF CHRIST

Phillip Box, Minister
Bible Study... 9:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 10:00 a.m.
Even. Service... 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Bible Study... 6:30 p.m.

ELBA CHURCH OF GOD

Rev. David Noble, Pastor
Morn. Worship... 10:45 a.m.
Even. Worship... 5:00 p.m.

ELBA CHURCH OF GOD OF PROPHECY

H.L. Buckner-Pastor
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Sunday Night... 6:00 p.m.
Thur. Night... 7:00 p.m.

ELBA DELIVERANCE TABERNACLE

Allen Richards, Pastor
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service... 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Service... 7:00 p.m.

ELBA 1st BAPTIST CHURCH

Michael Woodham, Pastor
Sunday School... 9:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 10:00 a.m.
Even. Service... 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Service... 6:30 p.m.

ELBA UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Rev. Michael Lawler, Pastor
Sunday School... 9:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 10:00 a.m.
Even. Services... 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Bible Study... 6:00 p.m.

ELBA ZION BAPT. CHURCH

Lovell Martin, Pastor
Sunday School... 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service... 6:00 p.m.

EVANGELIST TEMPLE CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST

Timothy Williams, Pastor
Sunday School... 10:30 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:30 a.m.
Wed. Bible Study... 6:00 p.m.

FAIRVIEW BAPT CHURCH

Sunday School... 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Wed. Prayer Service 7:30 p.m.

FAITH CHAPEL COMMUNITY CHURCH

Phillip Adeock, Pastor
Sunday Morning... 10:30 a.m.
Sunday Evening... 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Service 7:00 p.m.

1st ASSEMBLYS OF GOD - KINSTON

Danny Bradshaw, Pastor
Sunday School... 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Wed. Bible Study... 7:00 p.m.

FRIENDSHIP BAPTIST CHURCH

Scott Donaldson, Pastor
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Even. Worship... 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Bible Study... 6:30 p.m.

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Edward E. Drake, Pastor
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Sunday Evening... 5:00 p.m.

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Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.

HARRIS TEMPLE COGIC

W. K. Ellison, Pastor
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Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Wed. Service... 6:00 p.m.

HAM UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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Morn. Worship... 8:45 a.m.

HAW HILL ASSEMBLY OF GOD

Shirley Ellis, Pastor
Sunday School... 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service... 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Service 7:00 p.m.

HEBRON BAPT. CHURCH

Mark Cooper, Pastor
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service... 6:30 p.m.
Wed. Even. Meeting 7:00 p.m.

INO ASSEMBLY OF GOD

Wesley D. Ard, Pastor
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service... 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meeting... 6:30 p.m.

INO BAPTIST CHURCH

Garry Winstead, Pastor
Sunday School... 8:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 10:00 a.m.
Even. Service... 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meeting 7:00 p.m.

JACK ASSEMBLY OF GOD

Matthew Morris, Pastor
Sunday School... 9:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 10:00 a.m.
Even. Service... 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Service... 7:15 p.m.

KINSTON 1st BAPT CHURCH

Ben Posey, Pastor
Morn. Worship... 10:00 a.m.
Sunday School... 9:00 a.m.
Even. Service... 5:00 p.m.

LIVING WORD CHURCH

Derrick Stinson, Pastor
Saturday Service... 9:45 a.m.
Sunday Service... 10:30 a.m.
Even. Service... 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Youth Service... 6:00 p.m.
Thurs. Service... 6:00 p.m.

LIBERTY CHURCH OF CHRIST

Greg Hanchey, Minister
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service... 5:00 p.m.

LOVE'S WAY CHURCH

Rev. Charles Jones, Pastor
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Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Sunday Evening... 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Service... 7:00 p.m.

MT. CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH

J. R. Parks, Pastor
Sunday School... 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
1st & 3rd Sundays

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Dewey Emfinger, Pastor
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Sunday Evening... 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Service... 5:00 p.m.

MT. OLIVE BAPT. CHURCH

Olan Strickland-Pastor
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service... 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meeting 7:00 p.m.

MT. ZION BAPTIST CHURCH

Kevin Byrd
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.

MT. VERNON ASSEMBLY OF GOD

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Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
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Evening Worship... 6:00 p.m.
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Friday Evening... 7:00 p.m.

NEWBIA BAPTIST CHURCH

Will Jordan, Pastor
Sunday School... 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Disciple Train... 5:00 p.m.
Evening Worship... 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Night Services 7:00 p.m.

NEW BROCKTON METHODIST

Dr. Craig Bailey, Pastor
Sunday School... 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Even. Worship... 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Bible Study... 6:30 p.m.

NEW CHAPEL BAPTIST CHURCH

Rev. Terry Godwin, Pastor
Sunday School... 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Bible Study... 5:00 p.m.
Even. Worship... 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meet... 6:00 p.m.

NEW EBENEZER BAPTIST CHURCH

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Operates equipment and performs jobs as needed for day to day operations of the County Landfill. Assigned to the County Landfill to work under the supervision of the Landfill Manager and Landfill Foreman. Should also be able to perform duties as needed unsupervised. Notifies supervisor of mechanical and safety problems. Performs routine manual labor as required. The principal duties of this position are performed in a landfill environment. Follow directions of the Landfill Manager and Foreman. Assist in regular required preventative maintenance as needed. Demonstrates experience operating equipment, and a valid Alabama Drivers License is required. Ability to understand and follow oral or written policies and instructions. Knowledge of basic equipment preventative maintenance. Ability to communicate with others. Salary is dependent upon experience.

Closing date for each of these job openings is August 3, 2018. Applications must be submitted online at
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U. S. Tank, Inc. hereby gives notice of completion of a contract with Coffee County Water Authority for water system improvements - Britt and Fairview tank painting and rehabilitation. This notice will appear for four consecutive weeks beginning July 12, 2018 and ending August 2, 2018 All claims in connection with this project should be filed during this period with the Engineer, David Hicks and Associates, 406 Dothan Road, Abbeville, AL 36310.
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NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS
STATE-FUNDED PROJECT NO: IAR-016-000-023
COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA

Sealed bids will be received by the Coffee County Commission at the Office Complex in New Brockton, Alabama, until 9:00 A.M., August 14, 2018, and at that time publicly open for constructing the following:

Planing, Resurface, Traffic Stripe and Turn Lanes on C.R. 114 from AL. Hwy. 167 northeasterly to Wayne Farms. Length - 0.886 miles in the County of Coffee, State of Alabama.

The bracket estimate on this project is from \$500,000 to \$600,000. This bracket range is shown only to provide general financial information to contractors and bonding companies concerning the project's complexity and size. This bracket should not be used in preparing a bid, nor will this bracket have any bearing on the decision to award the contract.

The entire project shall be completed in thirty-five (35) working days. A cashier's check (drawn on an Alabama bank) or bid bond payable to the Coffee County Commission for an amount of 5% of bid (maximum - \$10,000) must accompany each bid as evidence of good faith. Proposals will be issued only to and accepted from

contractors on the Alabama Department of Transportation's (ALDOT) List of Pre-Qualified Contractors. The award of the contract will be made only to a contractor who has a valid certification of qualification from ALDOT as required by State Law and will not be made to any bidder who is considered by ALDOT to be disqualified from bidding, or is an affiliate of or has a corporate officer, director, or principal owner who is a corporate officer, director, or owner of, another person who is presently disqualified by ALDOT. Further details and definitions regarding this provision are included in section 102 of special provision 18-LPA2 and ALDOT's standard specifications.

Proof of insurance coverage of the types and amounts as set forth in the project specifications will be required of the contractor, and any and all subcontractors, prior to beginning work. The contractor will be required to perform work amounting to at least 30% of the total contract cost with his own organization. This is a state-funded project through ALDOT. The proposed work shall be performed in conformity with all applicable laws, rules, and regulations.

Plans, Specifications and Proposals may be obtained at the Coffee County Engineer's Office, Highway 84, New Brockton, Alabama from 6:30 A.M. until 5:00 P.M., Monday through Thursday (telephone 334/894-6112). A proposal fee of \$10.00 is required if plans are picked up and a fee of \$20.00 is required if plans are mailed. The \$10.00 Fee will be returned to unsuccessful bidders who return plans in a reusable condition within ten (10) days after bid opening.

The bidder's proposal must be submitted on the complete original proposal furnished him by the Coffee County Commission. Bids will be received only from contractors duly licensed by the State Licensing Board for General

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Dean Smith, Chairman
Coffee County Commission
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PUBLIC NOTICE

Subject: DEVELOPMENT PLAN REVIEW
Parcel #: 1103083001044000
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Property Owner: TCJ Financial / Mike Carnley

The City of Elba Zoning Board is conducting a Public Hearing to consider a request for a Development Plan Review. The Public Hearing will be held at the Elba City Hall on August 6th, 2018, at 6:00 PM. The request being considered will be to construct a new business on an undeveloped parcel in the B-2 Zone.

You are encouraged to attend the Public Hearing to express any concerns or comments you may have. Should you have any questions regarding this hearing, please contact William Worthington at Elba City Hall, or call 334-897-2333. Thank You
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OUTDOORS



Callie Thornton at Cheaha State Park takes in the vista at Bald Rock.



Anna Bryant watches an alligator near the fishing pier at Meaher State Park.

From Cheaha to Meaher, Alabama state parks diversity abounds

Story and photos by
DAVID RAINER,
*Alabama Department of
Conservation and Natural
Resources*

From a shaded retreat on John's Bay in the Mobile-Tensaw Delta to the boardwalk atop the highest mountain in the state, the Alabama State Parks System offers an incredible diversity of nature's wonders to explore.

Just north of the point where the Mobile-Tensaw Delta and Mobile Bay converge, Meaher State Park offers a respite from the hustle and bustle that can be seen in the distance on the Bayway crowded with frustrated travelers.

Tall pine trees blanket the 1,300-acre park that borders the Delta's biologically rich John's Bay to the south and Ducker Bay to the east. According to Anna Bryant, Meaher's new park superintendent, visitors head to the park with their travel trailers in tow, attracted to the shade on the water's edge.

A native of Auburn, Bryant came to love the area while teaching environmental education for two conservation organizations and jumped at the Meaher job about a year ago.

"I enjoy being in the outdoors," Bryant said. "I love the water. I didn't grow up near the beach. But the water and flora and fauna here at Meaher is a very therapeutic place for me. That is a bonus of this job for me."

Callie Thornton, the assistant park superintendent at Cheaha State Park, finds her therapy in the mountains, and Cheaha, completely surrounded by the Talladega National Forest in northeast Alabama, is the perfect location for her.

Already a dedicated backpacker before she took the job at Cheaha a year ago, Thornton now gets to share her love of hiking with an abundance of park visitors and fellow hikers.

"What attracted me to Cheaha was the mountain and the Pinhoti Trail," said Thornton, the former Town Clerk at Rockford, Ala. "I wanted to be able to teach others how to backpack, the importance of being outdoors and inspiring others to love the outdoors."

"I've been backpacking for about 12 years now, doing anything and everything adventurous. I've done more than 1,000 miles backpacking, so now I teach backpacking courses," Thornton added. "And

a lot of people are scared of camping. My goal is to teach people to not be afraid of being in the outdoors."

Thornton's instructions include camp cooking, first aid, what's needed in your backpack and, possibly more important, what's not.

"I've been able to get my backpack down to 27 pounds for a seven-day trip," she said. "If people will bring me their backpack, I will go through it and divide and conquer, as I say. I advise them on what kind of gear they need as far as shoes and clothing. A lot of people think they need to take multiple days of clothes. If you pick the right gear, you might need an extra pair of socks, but you don't need anything else."

She continued, "I had a friend with me on one trip who had 60 pounds in her backpack. She was really suffering. While we were on the trip I went through her bag. When we got to the next station, I told her to take this and that out and put it in the hiker box or mail it home. I've learned through experience about a lot of things, like blisters and how to deal with them and how to protect your feet. A lot of it is simple stuff that I want to pass on to make the person's trip a lot better the next time around."

At one time, Cheaha was the southern terminus of Thornton's beloved Pinhoti Trail. That terminus has since been moved about 60 miles south to Flagg Mountain. The Pinhoti Trail covers about 170 miles in Alabama and 166 miles in Georgia before it connects with the Appalachian Trail. Hikers can also gain access to the Eastern Continental Trail that transits the entire eastern U.S.

Thornton, also president of the Alabama Pinhoti Trail Association, hopes to bring more exposure to Alabama's Pinhoti segment. "We don't get a lot of publicity on the Alabama Pinhoti Trail," she said. "Georgia's trail gets a lot, but Alabama's doesn't. It could be a big tourism booster for Alabama. My goal is to raise the awareness of the Alabama section of the trail. People don't know that it also is a connector from Key West (Fla.) all the way to Maine. On a hot summer day, a bonus of being at Cheaha is the weather. "It's about 10 degrees cooler on the mountain," Thornton said. "Sometimes



The Cheaha boardwalks offer visitors exercise and plenty of nature.

it's more than that, depending on the wind. When I got here last May (2017), I was freezing to death. We can sit in the restaurant and see the weather around us. If I see a storm coming and we've got people in the pool, I can go get them out. The good thing is, most of the time, the bad stuff goes around us."

Another attraction for Cheaha visitors is the solitude of the mountain, which is 2,407 feet above sea level, the highest in the state. A variety of accommodations await, from cabins and chalets to improved and primitive camping.

"A lot of people come to Cheaha to disconnect," Thornton said. "If you want to get away from it all, if you want to get away from your telephone, your Wi-Fi, this is where you come. Once you come around the curves on (Hwy.) 281, you lose your connections. I just got a call from a man who said he was ready to get away from work. People disconnect and they go hiking, swimming and enjoy the restaurant. They come to hike. They come to see the wildlife, the deer and turkeys. We have a lot of birdwatchers who come to the park. We have gem-mining for the kids and a lot of interpretive nature programs for the whole family."

Now hop in your vehicle, come down the mountain and head south about 260 miles to Meaher State Park to experience Alabama's coastal plains and the expansive Mobile-Tensaw Delta. Meaher offers 61 improved campsites, 10 improved tent sites, a couple of primitive tent sites and four cabins. Two more cabins will be available later this year.

Bryant said Meaher appeals to campers in a couple of different ways. "We're kind of a quiet park," she said. "We don't have a pool or tennis courts or facilities that some of the bigger parks have. The fact that people can come and relax, see the sunsets and see the water is a big attraction for our overnight guests. But we also have a lot of day visitors who love to fish. We have a fishing pier and a boat launch. They can canoe and kayak or take their motor boat into the Delta or Mobile Bay. We also have the Gateway to the Delta boardwalk that allows visitors to see the Delta from a different perspective."

"Part of the draw is we have easy access to the Delta and being able to stay overnight between Mobile

and Baldwin counties."

Because of its size, Meaher doesn't have a park naturalist, but Bryant has been able to utilize the

environmental programs from Gulf State Park and 5 Rivers – Alabama Delta Resource Center, which is located directly across the Mobile Causeway from Meaher.

"The last program we had was a reptile show that 5 Rivers conducted," Bryant said. "They brought native snakes and turtles to show our guests."

Bryant will soon be involved in a park expansion, thanks to a \$3.5 million award from the Deepwater Horizon's oil spill through the RESTORE Act. "Our hope is to expand not only RV sites but add a couple more cabins and possibly another fishing pier," she said. "We're still in the process of finalizing our plans. We want to offer our visitors a gamut of options from just relaxing to enjoying the Delta."

Visit www.alapark.com/cheaha-state-park and www.alapark.com/meaher-state-park for more information.

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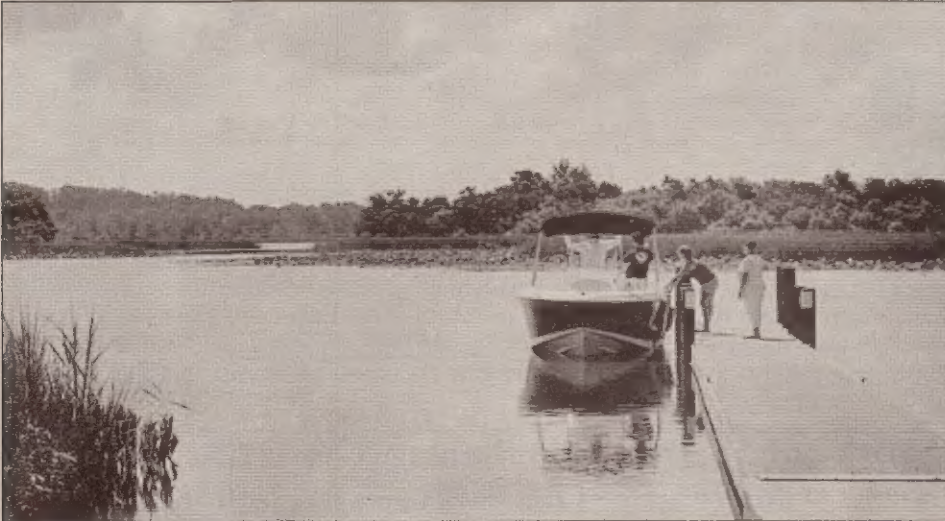
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By Ricky Mularz, Sports Editor

We took our grandson Lawson shopping for school clothes over the weekend and it was funny to hear him tell us many times that he had enough and was ready to get back to the house. He loves shorts with elastic waistbands and t-shirts that he doesn't have to tuck in, and that is what he got more off on the trip. Hey, at least he is easy to shop for, for now!

For what it is worth....

*** The Elba Tigers will hit the field for official preseason workouts next week and new Tiger head coach Pate Harrison is more than ready to get down to work. Coach Harrison and his staff have worked the players hard during the summer to get them in the best shape possible before the grind of official practices begin, and he is convinced the team will be ready to go from day one. The move to Class 1A and the addition of Coach Harrison has all Elba Tiger fans looking forward to the season, and I know I too am excited about the new opponents on the schedule and the upcoming season.

*** The Elba Lady Tigers took part in a volleyball camp over the weekend at Carroll High School and spent almost 12 hours working on fundamentals in a two-day span in an attempt to iron out a few things before the official start of preseason drills. The camp was conducted by Auburn assistant coach Eysha Ambler, who has been on the staff at Auburn for the past eight years, and the college coach worked the players hard in doing things the right way, every time the ball is on the court. The girls were a little tired after the camp, but all learned a great deal and hopefully will carry what they learned over to the season.

*** High School softball teams, coaches and fans all across the Wiregrass area were sad to learn last week that the South Central Softball Tournament had been moved from Troy after a number of years at the Sportsplex. The teams that have been to Troy in recent years must now travel up Oxford to compete in the newly named East Central tournament, which means that the choices for area teams are either to head to Oxford or Gulf Shores. Both options are very expensive for area teams, but the AHSAA seems to be in the mood to make changes in all sports and also seems to care less about the cost to the schools in the Wiregrass.

*** Alabama's Coach Nick Saban was back in the news last week after signing a new contract that will keep him with the Crimson Tide through the 2025 season. The contract really only added one year to his previous contract, but did give him a raise to \$7.5 million a year with a \$400,000 annual raise each year of the pact. The 66-year old Bama coach will also receive an additional \$800,000 if he is still the coach at the end of the 2019, 2020 and 2021 seasons, and if Coach Saban hangs around for the length of the contract he will be around until he is 74 years old. It is a lot of money, but I have yet to hear even one Alabama fan complain.

*** In closing.... Girls from Elba, New Brockton and Zion Chapel are all in Louisiana this week competing at the Dixie Softball World Series, and from the many pictures I have seen on Facebook, the girls are having the times of their lives and are making memories they will carry all their lives. I hope the experience will also make the young girls want to continue their careers at the high school level, and share the experience of winning with their teammates.

Elba Tigers join Georgiana and Brantley in traditon rich Class 1A, Area 2 family

Region two in Class 1A has long been considered to be a state power in the high school football ranks, and while a new team has joined the region wars this season, nothing has changed to lessen that statewide belief as the Elba Tigers, a seven-time state champion, jump into the mix.

The Tigers have been a Class 2A power for years, and over the past five seasons have claimed three region titles, posted a 31-2 record against region foes, made two trips to the state finals and posted one state championship. Elba has slowly moved down from the 4A ranks in the days of Hall of Fame coach Mack Wood to the 1A ranks this season, but is still loaded with athletes and has to be considered one of a handful of teams expected to be in the mix for a state title.

The Brantley Bulldogs have been a 1A power for decades and should again be one of the top teams in the region. The Bulldogs have posted a 30-3 region record over the last five years and claimed two region crowns, and will always be in the mix when the talk in high school football circles turns to teams looked for to battle for region and state title honors.

The Florala Wildcats have struggled to a 7-26 region record over the past five seasons and haven't claimed a region title in twenty years, but the Wildcats are in year two of a youth movement and last season set state record in 1A for passing yardage. Florala will be much improved and their fans are looking forward to a trip to the playoffs.

The Georgiana Panthers have rolled to 23 straight region wins while claiming the last three region titles, and have to be considered the favorites to add a fourth title to their list of accomplishments. The Panthers have posted a 26-7 region record over the past five years and are a true state title contender.

The Kinston Bulldogs have never won a region crown and have struggled to a 14-19 region record over the past five seasons, but made a return trip to the playoffs last season after a one-year absence and recorded a 3-4 slate. The Bulldogs made noise last season and gave their fans high hopes with a strong spring game battle against 3A Opp, and hopes are high for a banner season this fall.

The McKenzie Tigers own a 22-11 region record over the past five seasons,

Class 1A Region 2

Brantley
Elba
Florala
Georgiana
Kinston
McKenzie
Pleasant Home
Red Level

but haven't won a region title in eight years and last season posted only two region wins. The Tigers are rich in tradition and pride; however, and approach every season as a new start with high hopes and an eye toward the playoffs.

The Pleasant Home Eagles have yet to claim a region title and have struggled to an 8-25 region record over the past five seasons, but have recorded identical 3-4 records over the past two seasons and are convinced they are ready to advance to the next level. Although num-

bers are down, the Eagles and their fans are excited and looking forward to the upcoming season.

The Red Level Tigers haven't claimed a region title in 14 years, but like all the other teams in the state have high expectations with the start of the season less than a month away. The Tigers own a 5-28 region record over the past five seasons, including bookend 0-7 slates in 20013 and 2017, and while hopes are high, they are still considered years away from a return to winning form.

Samson and Highland Home join Class 2A, Region 3

The scenery has changed a bit in Class 2A, Region 4, as longtime region power Elba has moved down to the 1A ranks and newcomers Highland Home and Samson have joined the ranks of one of the state's most competitive 2A regions.

Calhoun hasn't claimed a region title in 19 years and over the past five seasons has struggled to a 3-30 region record. The Tigers haven't won a region contest since back in 2014, and unless something happens fast the Tigers will remain the doormat of the region again this season.

Central, of Hayneville, has never hoisted a region championship banner in football and over the past five seasons has struggled to a 6-27 region record. The Lions posted a pair of region wins a year ago for the first time in recent memory, and could be on the verge of another multiple win season.

Goshen claimed its first region title ever a year ago and has rolled to a 22-11 region slate over the last five seasons. The Eagles are always a team to beat in the region wars and after advancing to the semifinals of the state playoffs last season are convince they are a state title contender.

Highland Home has made the move up from the 1A ranks and has posted an 18-15 region record over the past five years. It has been 13 years since the Flying Squadron soared to a region title, but hopes are high after a winning campaign a year ago and the Squadron is expected to be a playoff contender.

Luverne has one of the richest football traditions in the state in football, and despite going five years without a region title, is convinced this will be the season the Tigers make a deep run n the playoffs. The Tigers own a 25-8 region record over the past five seasons and lost only once in the region wars a year ago, which has the Tigers and their faithful looking forward to the upcoming season.

New Brockton hasn't won a region title on the gridiron in 19 years, but has been a region power for the

past five years in compiling a 21-2 region record. The Gamecocks slipped back a bit a year ago in struggling to a 3-3 region mark, but with the addition of players from Enterprise to an already solid group of returnees, many feel this may be the year they make a run at the top prize.

Samson hasn't claimed a region title in 22 years, but has posted a solid 19-14 region record over the past five seasons, including 13 region wins over the past three seasons. The Tigers are looking forward to their move into Region 4, and expect the move and the new challenge to help them take the next step toward getting back on top.

Zion Chapel hasn't hoisted a region championship banner in 39 years in football and has struggled to a 6-27 region record the past five seasons. The Rebels work as hard as any team in the state regardless of class and have a strong fan base. So, maybe this will be the season those factors help the Rebels get back in the playoff picture.

Class 2A Region 3

Calhoun
Central
Goshen
Highland Home
Luverne
New Brockton
Samson
Zion Chapel

2018 Outdoor Alabama photo contest open through October

The Outdoor Alabama Photo Contest is now accepting entries through October 31, 2018.

The contest is a joint project between the Alabama Department of Conservation and Natural Resources, the Alabama Tourism Department and the Alabama Bicentennial

Commission. The photo contest is open to state residents and visitors alike, but qualifying photos must have been taken in Alabama.

For more information, call 334-242-3151 or email Kim Nix at kim.nix@dcnr.alabama.gov.


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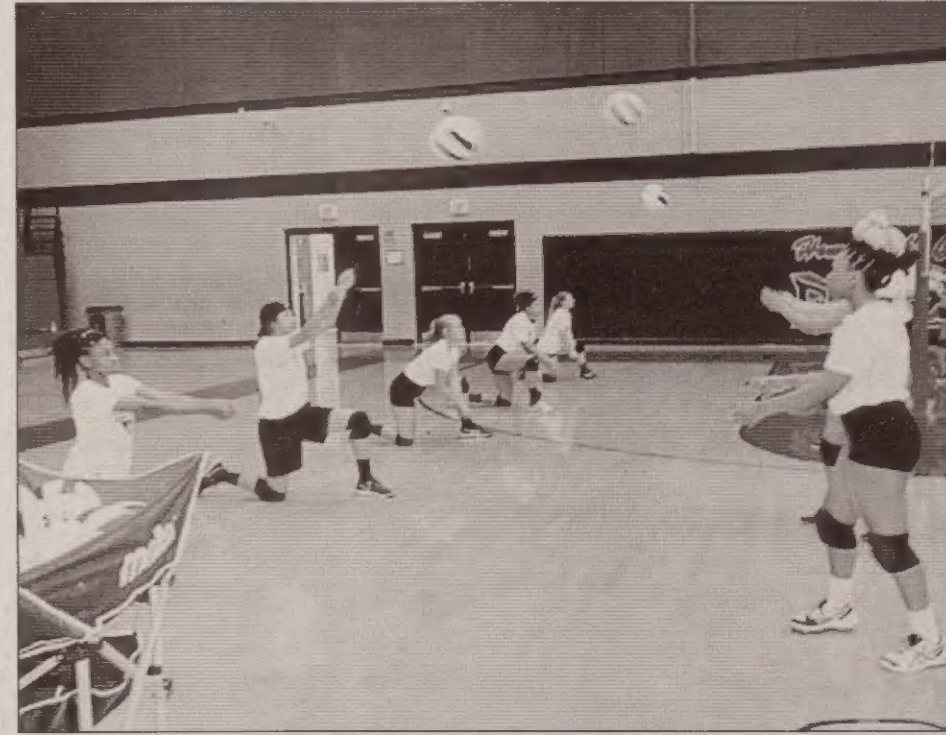
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VOLLEYBALLS WERE FLYING.... last week at a high school volleyball camp conducted by longtime Auburn University assistant coach Eysha Ambler. The camp, held at Carroll High School, was attended by all members of the Elba Lady Tiger varsity squad as well as many members of the junior varsity and junior high squads. The Carroll High School volleyball team also took part in the two-day camp that consisted of four sessions that covered 12 hours of work.

2018 Youth Football, Cheerleading & Soccer Registration

Underway for Elba Parks and Recreation!

Register online at www.elbarecreation.com or come by the Elba Recreation Center for registration forms.

COMMUNITY NEWS



5 Tips to create the outdoor living room

Declutter & Clean
The first step to sprucing up the outdoor living room is to clear dirt and clutter from the space. Store lawn equipment, children's toys, and pet play things in a shed or garage. Give the entire area a good scrub down, sweeping away dust and debris to create a fresh, clean canvas.

Invite the Outdoors In
Blending interior and outdoor living spaces helps the exterior area feel like an extension of the home, not an afterthought. Ensure blinds and curtains are open to the family yard, highlighting the outdoor oasis. Make certain the indoor and outdoor décor complement one another and utilize similar colors, materials and styles both inside and out.

Create Cozy Sitting Areas
Create easy traffic flow throughout the outdoor living room, while offering a number of places for people to sit – at a table,

around a fire pit, or in a cozy chair configuration. Also, offer some shade by using umbrellas or outdoor curtains to minimize sun glare and maximize visions of enjoyment in the outdoor living room.

Soften the Outdoor Space
Introduce a few soft design features into the outdoor area to create an inviting atmosphere. Rugs, throw pillows and upholstered patio furniture are a few ways to accomplish a “cozy” feel. Ensure these items are looking fresh and clean and not worn and dated. It's relatively inexpensive to swap out new pillows and rugs. Create outdoor ambiance by hanging string lighting, introducing a fire pit in the center of a patio, setting up a zen-like water feature, or adding candles, small plants and freshly-cut flowers to tabletops.

Utilize Living Landscapes
Nothing says “welcome home” quite like a beautiful

living landscape, complete with flowering shrubs, trees, flowers, and other vegetation. Freshen up the family yard by weeding, mulching and planting flower beds and pots with colorful flowers and verdant plants. Vases of flowers can also help bring life – and a pop of color – to outdoor tablescapes.

Southeast Alabama Community Theatre launches a new season of local and live theatre entertainment with the announcement of its 2018/2019 season.

Mary Poppins, Jr. offers good medicine with a spoonful of sugar in September at the Dothan Opera House. She will make a quick getaway as shadows fall and *Dracula* moves in for a spooky Halloween treat. The merry murderesses of the Cook County Jail take his place in March for the classic musical, *Chicago*. Finally, in April, take a wild cross-country ride with the Honeycutt family. Why drive? Well, *Mama Won't Fly!*

Season tickets are now available and include the four main stage productions. The holidays will take a comic turn as SEACT presents *Every Christmas Story Ever Told* as dinner theatre, sold separately.

Season tickets are

LBWCC program unique in Alabama

LBW Community College's diesel and heavy equipment mechanics program is the only two-year college program in Alabama currently offering instruction on repair of compressed natural gas (CNG) engines to meet the evolving needs of the trucking industry, according to officials.

“In June, UPS (United Parcel Service) announced it is ordering 730 CNG vehicles and building five additional domestic CNG fueling stations,” said LBWCC President Dr. Herb Riedel. “We are currently the only college in Alabama prepared to meet the changing needs of the industry by training students to maintain and repair these types of engines.”

In the announcement by UPS, the company and its rivals, such as FedEx Corp and DHL delivery businesses, face pressure from regulators in major cities around the world to lessen the environmental impact of fleets.

“As more and more delivery and transportation fleets transition to alternative CNG engines, LBWCC's program graduates will be qualified to fill industry employment needs for maintenance and repair. This is a great example of how LBWCC's technical program training stays current with the needs of industry,” said Riedel.

LBWCC expanded diesel and heavy equipment mechanics training on the MacArthur Campus in Opp to a two-year Associate in Applied Science Degree program, which includes seven credit hours of natural gas engine repair courses in addition to 22 credit hours of transferrable general education courses. Total credit hours required for the degree in this program is 71.

Eddie Spann, LBWCC faculty in the diesel and heavy equipment mechanics program, said area businesses and organizations helped with the additional training requirements.

“The heavy equipment repair program received training equipment donations from business and industry in our service area,” he said.

“A grant from the National Science Foundation provided means for natural gas curriculum development and professional development of our instructors to teach the new courses.”

In addition, a Workforce Grant awarded by Alabama Community College System provided funds to purchase two natural gas engine trainers and two late model diesel engine trainers along with specialty tools and supplies for the natural gas engine lab.

For the natural gas portion of the curriculum, students are required to take and pass an initial one-credit hour natural gas safety course, followed by 12 contact hours in hands-on activities and two contact hours of classroom instruction per week, he said.

For more information on the diesel and heavy equipment mechanics program, contact Spann, program instructor, at 334.493.5322 or email at espann@lbwcc.edu.

SEACT announces new season of entertainment

Season tickets are on sale now

SEACT's primary annual fundraiser. Community financial support helps keep SEACT looking ahead to future seasons, and fulfills its mission to keep live theatre affordable for everyone in the Wiregrass.

The season ticket program provides premium seating to Patrons, along with a tax-deductible gift. Subscriptions include priority seating, additional advanced ticket purchases, newsletter, and program recognition. Funds raised during season ticket sales also support youth classes, children's theatre camps, and a high school theatre

festival in November. Hundreds of volunteers give their time and talents to present every SEACT season.

To find out more about Southeast Alabama Community Theatre's new season and ticket subscriptions, visit SEACT.com, or call (334) 794-0400.

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Marillyn and James Hewson on the field at Bryant-Denny Stadium at The University of Alabama.

Hewson stock gift to University of Alabama is largest in UA history

Marillyn A. Hewson, chairman, president and CEO of Lockheed Martin Corp., and her husband, James, have made a gift of \$15 million to The University of Alabama to benefit the Culverhouse College of Business.

The gift is the largest one-time financial contribution in the University's history.

This contribution follows the \$5 million commitment the Hewsons made to the College last year to support the Marillyn Hewson Faculty Fellows Program in Data Analytics and Cyber Security, a high-tech Data Analytics and Cyber Security lab, and an endowed undergraduate scholarship and graduate assistantship.

The Hewsons are both graduates of the University. Marillyn Hewson is a two-time graduate of the University with a bachelor's degree in business administration and a master's in economics. She is also a member of the Culverhouse College of Business Board of Visitors as well as a member of UA's President's Cabinet. James holds a bachelor's degree in communications.

“I am deeply thankful for the strong business education I received at The University of Alabama,” said Marillyn Hewson. “That education helped prepare me for many of the challenges and opportunities I've encountered throughout my career – from the day I joined the

company as an industrial engineer to my current role as CEO.”

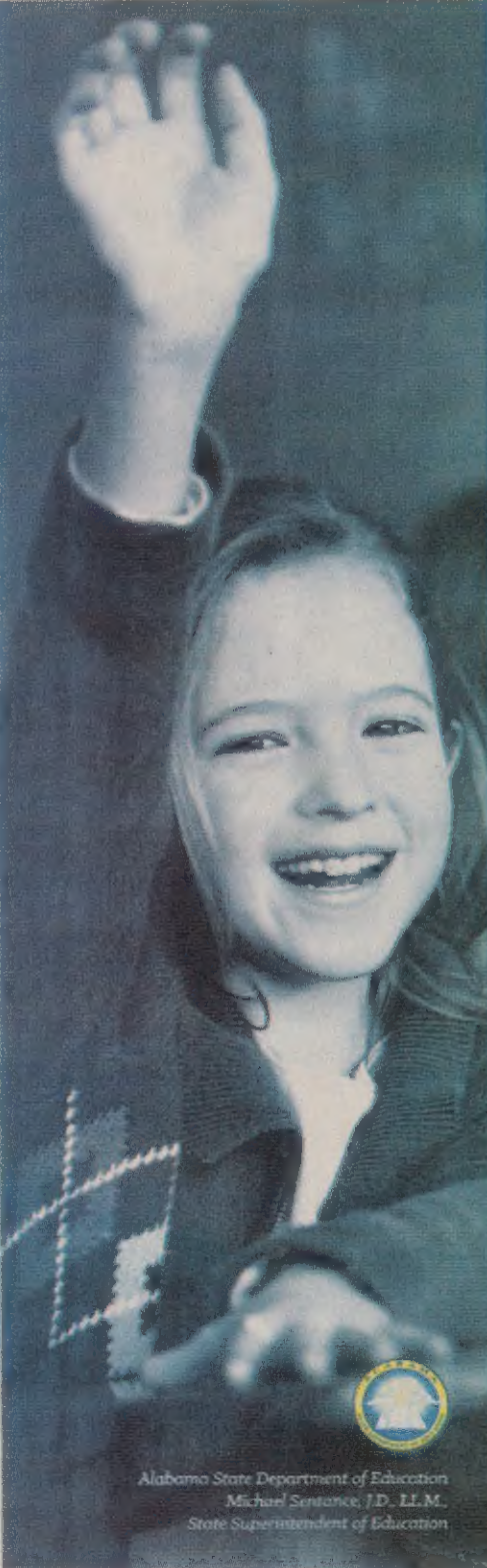
The gift announcement comes the same day Marillyn Hewson is being honored in New York City as the 2018 Chief Executive of the Year by *Chief Executive* magazine.

“This is a remarkable gift from a truly incredible, successful and compassionate couple,” said UA President Stuart R. Bell. “Their commitment to and ongoing support of our Culverhouse College of Business reflects a confidence in the important teaching, research and service we do every day.”

Details of the gift will be announced later this fall. It is subject to the approval of the Board of Trustees of The University of Alabama System.

In addition to leading Lockheed Martin, Marillyn Hewson has served on numerous boards and currently sits on the board of directors of DowDuPont, the Congressional Medal of Honor Foundation, the Board of Governors of the USO, the board of directors of Catalyst, and the executive committee of the Aerospace Industries Association and The Business Roundtable.

Hewson has been recognized as No. 3 on *Fortune* magazine's “50 Most Powerful Women in Business” in 2017, a top 10 “Business Person of the Year” by *Fortune* and one of the “World's 100 Most Powerful Women” by *Forbes*.



Help Child Find Locate Children with Disabilities

What Is Child Find?

Child Find is a statewide effort by the Alabama State Department of Education and the Department of Rehabilitation Services to locate, identify, and evaluate children with disabilities from birth to age 21.

How Does Child Find Work?

Early Intervention and Special Education Services work closely with community service agencies, parents, and local school systems to locate children with disabilities. A toll-free number is provided for parents or other persons interested in information about referring a child from birth to age 21.

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hangers at Carl Folsom Airport. The low bid from Hollon Contracting was \$400,336. This work will be funded from a federal grant with the Airport Authority funding the local part of the project.

Mayor Mickey Murdock reviewed city finances with council members and the report was generally positive. Some areas are out of line with the projected budget, but not an alarming amount.

The report showed sales tax above projected amounts, as was property taxes. Some revenue streams were down but overall revenue is up over 8% thus far this year.

SEARP&DC receives \$322,024 grant

The Southeast Alabama Regional Planning and Development Commission announced it was awarded a grant of \$322,024 from Senior Service America, Inc (SSAI).

Almost 90 percent of this grant – originally from the U.S. Department of Labor – will provide temporary employment to at least 61 low-income older adults living in Barbour, Coffee, Covington, Dale, Geneva, Henry, and Houston Counties. These older adults will participate in the Senior Community Service Employment Program (SCSEP) a cornerstone program of the Older Americans Act.

SCSEP, the only federal job training program targeted exclusively to low income seniors, promotes personal dignity and self-sufficiency through work. Its temporary part-time community service jobs provide a hand-up, not a hand-out for older, unemployed low-income Americans. The Senior Community Service Employment Program allows eligible persons to participate for up to four years, but the average tenure nationally is 18 months with the experience and training they receive leading them to permanent employment.

As the second largest U.S. Department of Labor National Grantee of SCSEP, Senior Service America works through a network of local partners delivering various career training programs for 50-plus-year-old workers in 34 states. To date, Senior Service America has placed over 12,000 older workers into permanent employment through the SCSEP program.

"Our long-term, local partners are a key to the strength of SSAI and provide the systems to train older Americans into strategic advantage for employers and the Country," said Gary A. Officer, Senior Service America President and CEO. "We are very pleased to continue our support of the Southeast Alabama Regional Planning and Development Commission for the 44th consecutive year."

"This program delivers a triple win for older adults and the whole community," said Scott Farmer, Executive Director.

First, SCSEP participants are helping more than 30 local community, faith-based, and public agencies carry out their mission, including Enterprise Career Center and Wiregrass United Way, Wiregrass 211, Wiregrass Food Bank, and Mount Olive Christian Fellowship Youth Impact.

"The Senior Employment Program is a win, win for everyone involved. For financially strapped non-profits like ours here at Wiregrass 2-1-1, the program provides Senior Placements that have a multitude of life skills that are extremely beneficial for those reaching out to our call center for help on a

Mike Carnley addressed the council. He was upset that a planned rezoning hearing did not take place recently due to a lack of a quorum of zoning board members for the meeting. He noted that the rescheduling of the hearing would delay his ice machine project and cost him a bulk of the summer business.

Carnley was told that state law and city ordinances required the rescheduling of the hearing and thus the time delay.

The council approved the grant application for the \$650,000 Downtown Revitalization project. It will include major work on the old theatre building to

allow usage for public events and work on the fronts of buildings around the square to include cleaning and painting of brick facades, adding matching awnings to these buildings and sidewalk benches. The project will include a \$75,000 match from the city and \$125,000 from Foundation 154. The actual grant application is for \$450,000.

Kenneth Calhoun was reappointed to the Planning and Zoning Board and Jerry DuBose was appointed as a new member of this board.

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enrollment the first week of school was to have a team set up at the central office to help the new students/parents. He said this team would be available throughout the entire first week of school, and completing the enrollments at the central office would help in keeping things as normal as possible at the schools that first week.

"There is no way of knowing how many [more enrollments] we will get until the first day gets here," Killingsworth said to Coffee County board members. "But, we have a plan ready for enrolling them that entire first week."

As for the modular buildings being installed at New Brockton Elementary

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golf cart, and lunch. Those interested in playing in the 2nd Annual Elba High School Alumni Association Golf Tournament, should contact Neil Grantham at neil.grantham@troycable.net.

Also, any alumni interested in 'sponsoring a hole' for the golf tournament should contact Hodge or Grantham at the above email addresses. The donation to sponsor a hole is \$100.

Tee time for this year's golf tournament will be 8 a.m.

"The Elba High School Alumni Association strives to help Elba City Schools in meeting any and all needs possible, as well as, provide the scholarships for graduating seniors," Hodge said. "These are simple ways for us to give back to the school that remains

near and dear in our hearts. As I always say... 'It's Great to be an Elba Tiger!'"

The Alumni Association has a new Facebook page – Elba High School Alumni Association. Be sure to search for it and please join!

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